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Inviting teachers, students, and parents into the portfolio process, this book discusses how portfolios can be used effectively in any and every classroom. The book also offers practical suggestions for getting started, pointers on how to manage the process, and a look at the benefits of portfolio assessment. Included in the book are specific reading and writing activities which can be used to diagnose students' literacy skills and plan appropriate instructional strategies. Chapters in the book are: (1) Understanding Portfolio Assessment; (2) Getting Started; (3) Assessing Portfolios; (4) Managing Portfolios; (5) Benefiting from Portfolio Assessment; and (6) Dealing with Possible Portfolio Problems. A list of four newsletters or handbooks that offer help and support; 15 portfolio samples; and a 71-item bibliography of selected articles and books are attached. (RS)

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